

### **DETAILED ACTION**

The instant application 10/534,857 is presented for examination by the examiner. Claims 1, 2, 4-6, 9-14, 20, and 21 were previously allowed. Claim 15 has been canceled. Claim 22 has been added. Claims 16-19 have been amended. Claims 1, 2, 4-6, 9-14, and 16-22 are pending. The amendment after final filed 6/16/10 has been entered.

### ***EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT***

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ian Blum on 7/1/10.

The specification is amended as follows:

Page 1, line 17, delete "Applications".

Page 2, line 7, replace the paragraph beginning with "Relevant" with "Description of the Prior Art".

Page 6, line 1, replace "Object of the Invention" with "Summary of the Invention".

Page 6, line 7, delete "basis of the Invention."

Page 7, before line 37, insert "Brief Description of the Drawings".

Page 9, before line 16, insert "Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiments".

Page 15, line 11, delete "Detailed Description of One Implementation".

### ***Response to Amendment***

The present claim amendments render the previous 112 and 103 rejections moot.

### ***Reasons for Allowance***

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Both of the independent claims positively recite the following limitation:  
"calculating data formed as a series of tokens, wherein an initialization token of the series of tokens is configured to enable an authentication session to be opened and

tokens of the series of tokens other than the initialization token are configured to enable the authentication session to be maintained; producing an anonymous signature of the initialization token, the signatures being obtained using a private key associated with said public key and opening an anonymous authentication session with the server, wherein said anonymous signature is a unique signature used for said authentication session". The prior art of record is silent in explicitly teaching this limitation in combination with all of the other limitations of the claims.

***Allowable Subject Matter***

Claims 1, 2, 4-6, 9-14, and 16-22 are allowed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MICHAEL R. VAUGHAN whose telephone number is (571)270-7316. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday, 7:30am - 5:00pm, EST. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, William Korzuch can be reached on 571-272-7589. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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